SCPSC Docket 2005-385-E Order No. 2006-680.

I am writing in support of progressive legislation that would move our state towards increased energy independence, greater security from terrorism, and reduced disruption of electrical power arising from increasingly unpredictable weather. A carefully crafted net metering protocol would, at the very least, provide substantial incentives to affluent home and business owners to generate their own power from the Sun, thus reducing their contribution to carbon dioxide and other polluting byproducts from traditional electricity generation.

As a homeowner, I have long been intrigued by the possibilities of making some of my electricity from the Sun. It's clear that with the two incentives, no batteries and the potential to receive income from the electricity generated, I'm now ready to purchase photovoltaics. I would appreciate South Carolina, stepping up and moving forward with a net metering incentive.

We now have the encouragement of our US President (2007 state of the union) to move toward greater energy independence and to take action against global climate change.

Sincerely,

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